

## Season 2 Episode 13

## A Drink of Hatred

Monks including Ivan, Safron, and Dirk gather around in the dojo at the height of day where Augi steps out of his office. Augi hands out papers to the Monks with study guides on them. Augi said, "The ultimate test to see if you shall remain monks is upon all of you. This is a test of your inner skills and attributes to see if it is feasible for you to remain monks. Failure to pass this test will result in you being discharged from the Ultraverse Monks." Ivan, Safron, and Dirk look over the papers and it is filled with complex information about being a monk. Ivan, Safron, and Dirk look scared.

Ivan, Safron, and Dirk walk down a street and Dirk said, "I thought we had permanent roles as monks. I didn't think we would get tests like this." Safron said, "I have been a monk for longer than any of you and this is the first time I ever heard of this test." Safron looks over the paper. Safron said, "What the hell is this supposed to mean anyways? 'What is the pigment injection of a mass of noctricide of ten square amps?' What does that have to do with being a monk?" Ivan said, "Well, rules and things change all the time. This is probably some new rule the Monk Order or Grand Master Augi came up with for an excuse to get rid of some of us. I suggest we try to beat Augi or whoever this is at their own game by studying hard." Safron said, "Well, Augi did say we would get discharged if we don't pass this test. I guess we have no choice but to study."

Ivan, Safron, and Dirk meet at Ivan's house where they bring books and they vigorously go through their contents. They look at the study guides and they try to find information on those things in the books. Ivan, Safron, and Dirk look like their heads are about to explode from all the trauma and tension from studying. Safron said, "I brought every monk guide book my father gave me and every relevant guide the Monk library has on these subjects and they still don't seem to correspond with anything on the test." Dirk said, "We may be without jobs soon. I don't want to have to go back to my dismal universe." Ivan said, "I don't want to imagine that." Safron said, "How are we going to find these answers?"

Ivan, Safron, and Dirk stroll down another bright street in the Ultraverse filled with stores and restaurants. Safron said, "Surely the answers to this test must be

somewhere in the Ultraverse.” Safron spots an ad billboard at a convenience store with a drink that comes in a tall stylish blue can and it has a caption that reads, “Studying for an Impossible Test? Drink Praxis.” Safron points to the ad and she said, “Maybe that is our answer.”

Safron brings Ivan and Dirk into the convenience store where she grabs a few cases of Praxis. Safron said, “This could be the thing that could help us with the test. Those other monks are doing it.” Safron points to some monks that just bought a case and are drinking cans of Praxis. Ivan said, “I don’t think a particular drink will be the thing that decides if we pass a dumb test or not.” Safron said, “Well, what else could possibly work?”

Safron brings the cases of Praxis back to Ivan’s house and Safron gives a can to Ivan and a can to Dirk. Safron opens the can and she chugs it down. Dirk opens it and he starts drinking it and he said, “This tastes pretty good. My mind feels more vitalized and refined.” Ivan gives his can an awkward look. Safron said, “C’mon, Ivan. Drink up. Do it for me.” Ivan looks at the can and he opens it and he sniffs it. Ivan gags over the scent of it and he drops the can and it spills on the floor. Ivan said, “I don’t like the smell of this.” Safron said, “Suit yourself.” Safron and Dirk go back to studying and they review the questions. Safron said, “What is the square base of phi alpha theta?’ Is it, 67393?” Safron looks at the guide and she said, “It is correct.” Dirk drinks some more and he said, “What is the Polybius of theta minus epsilon?’ Is it 43?” Dirk looks at the study guide and he said, “It’s correct.” Safron said, “C’mon, Ivan. Don’t stand there like a jerk. Drink up and study.”

The day of the test arrives and Ivan, Safron, and Dirk go to the testing room in the dojo with a bunch of other monks. Safron, Dirk and all the other monks except for Ivan have Praxis energy drinks with them. Ivan looks at the intimidating test and he writes down what could be the answers. Safron, Dirk and the other monks fly through the test.

The results come in. Augi posts a large board of scores and they indicate that everyone passed except for Ivan. Safron and Dirk give Ivan angered looks and Safron said, “How could you fail a test like this?” Dirk said, “Why are you even a monk at all? We are always the ones that have to save you from every dumb yin-yangite crap thing you get yourself into.” Safron said, “This yin-yangite crap is not going to get you out of this one.” All the monks give Ivan angered looks. Augi looks down at Ivan like a menacing giant. Augi said, “You are banished from the Monk Order and you are going to have to be reported to the Ultraverse Police.” Ivan said, “Ultraverse Police? Failing

this test is a crime?" Safron said, "Yeah, it is." Ultraverse Police show up and they grab onto Ivan.

Ivan flips over and he kicks the Ultraverse Police in the heads. Ivan jumps out one of the paper windows of the dojo and he lands in the Monk Garden. Ivan said, "Everyone is against me? Even my closest friends seem angered with me." Safron and Dirk are in the garden and they point to Ivan and Safron said, "There he is." The Ultraverse Police run after Ivan. Ivan is chased down the street. Ivan runs fast and he cuts some corners and he is stopped by a roadblock of Ultraverse Police cars. Ivan is locked in place on the street. Ivan looks scared and he trembles in fear. Police are about to pound Ivan and apprehend him. A cyan colored blade slashes down the cops and Ultraverse Keith stands in front of Ivan. Ivan looks at Keith and he said, "Are you against me too?" Keith said, "I am getting you out of this." Keith grabs onto Ivan's hand and he runs down a secret back alley and he brings Ivan to a hidden dark laboratory.

Ivan said, "Thanks for saving me. Where is this place?" Keith said, "This is where I have been for the past few days. I have built this hidden laboratory so Augi nor any of the Ultraverse authorities will find me here. Augi has been quite sus with this test he has given the monks. I have been a monk for quite some time now and I know as a fact that there is no kind of test like the one Augi is giving out that determines if someone should remain a monk or not. That is determined based on their physical actions at the job of being a monk. Also, failing any kind of test is not a crime so I know something is horribly wrong." Ivan said, "Have you found any clues on who or what is causing this?" Keith said, "I found a connection between this and a drink called, Praxis that I refuse to drink." Ivan said, "Safron and Dirk were drinking that. They have been more aggressive towards me in the last few days. They seem to have turned against me. All the monks have turned against me." Keith said, "It is because they are drinking this drink. I have analyzed some samples and I found it has a compound that emphasizes and expands on the aggressive side of the brain and it makes it the dominate trait of the person. Drinking this drink causes people to become irrational and aggressive for no real reason." Ivan said, "Do you know where this drink is coming from?" Keith said, "I have not located it yet but I have a way of doing so. I have a tracking device right here. We will plant this on a delivery truck delivering the nefarious drink and see where it goes and where it came from."

Ivan and Keith dress in camouflage and they hide in a bush across the street from a store selling Praxis. A Praxis delivery truck shows up at the back of the store and Keith signals Ivan to come with him. Ivan and Keith sneak behind the store and Keith places his tracking device on the back of the truck and they escape undetected.

Ivan and Keith go back to Keith's secret lab and they look at Keith's main tracking computer. It displays the trajectory and coordinates of the delivery truck of where it has been with the tracking device and where it is heading off to. Keith said, "We have the location."

Ivan and Keith go to the coordinates and they find themselves in the industrial sector of the Ultraverse where the sky is grey and factories are everywhere. Ivan and Keith dress as standard factory workers and they enter the Praxis factory. They come across a large cauldron filled with bubbling liquids that will become Praxis Energy Drink. Ivan and Keith travel through the factory by walking up hollow metal stairs and catwalks and they find themselves in the main control room that rests behind a screen of glass in front of the large cauldron that has a metal net over it. Ivan and Keith look over the controls and Keith said, "This is odd. There should be people in here working at the controls." A dark booming voice said, "There is no need for people when the system is completely automated." Ivan and Keith turn around and they see a shiny metallic cybernetic samurai with small beady red eyes and is armed with a large electrically charged katana. Keith said, "Who are you?" The samurai said, "Ivan can answer that." Ivan gives the samurai a stern look and he said, "You sound familiar but I don't remember encountering you before." The samurai said, "I am Tammy Newborn you fool. Don't you remember?" Ivan gets a flashback of him battling Tammy Newborn in a factory filled with grinding gears and a catwalk breaks and Tammy falls into the grinding gears." Ivan said, "You were grinded by gears. How did you survive that?" Tammy said, "I had a blue accomplice, remember? The blue accomplice is what I used to mass produce this Praxis Drink. It is only fair for me to make a drink named after my favorite 4Idiots character. 4Idiots is still the greatest thing ever and I shall do all I can to eliminate the greatest threat to it, you. You made me like this. When you attack me, you attack 4Idiots and that cannot stand without justice." Some monks enter the control room and stand next to Tammy Newborn. Tammy said, "My new drink is the most popular drink in the Ultraverse. Everyone hates you now." The monks grab onto Ivan and Keith and they are thrown into the window smashing it and falling on the hard metal net over the cauldron of the Praxis drink.

Tammy draws out his sword and the other monks draw out their swords. They duel Keith and Ivan. Keith duels a few monks and slashes them down. Keith pushes another monk aside and he runs to Tammy Newborn and he clashes his cyan sword of redemption with Tammy's electrified katana. Ivan duels some of the poisoned monks while Keith holds a tight lock of the blade of his sword on Tammy's sword. Tammy keeps generating electric pulses and they are all blocked with Keith's cyan sword. The blue liquid goo creature materializes from Tammy's back and it forms into a giant fist and it smacks Keith and he falls on his back and slides down the net. The blue creature forms a tight grip on Keith. Tammy cuts a hole in the metal net with his sword around Keith and Keith falls into the cauldron of the Praxis drink.

Ivan is left battling the remaining monks and Tammy Newborn. The monks jump at Ivan and they have him pinned to the floor of the metal net. Ivan sees Tammy and his blue pet head for him. Ivan gets overwhelmed and he forms into his yin-yang battle mech. Ivan slashes at the monks and he leaves them incapacitated from their injuries. Ivan runs and duels with Tammy. Ivan and Tammy lock their sword blades tightly on each other. Ivan attempts to blast at Tammy with his arm cannon on his yin-yang battle mech. The blue creature jumps and blocks the barrel of the cannon. It is overloaded and the cannon is left destroyed. Tammy slashes his sword at Ivan and Ivan blocks the attack and he hears Safron's voice say, "Ivan!" Ivan turns around and he sees Safron and Dirk on the net behind him and they give him angered looks. Safron said, "You've been a monk for how long now? You should know better than to attack your fellow monks." Tammy said, "She is speaking the truth." Dirk jumps over Ivan and he uses his silly string on Ivan and Ivan cuts up the silly string. Safron and Dirk get close to Ivan and Ivan looks at his sword. Ivan said, "I can't slash any of you. You are my friends. We are not supposed to be fighting each other. We are supposed to be fighting him." Ivan points to Tammy. Safron said, "Our goal as monks is the eliminate the evils of the Ultraverse. You are just becoming another villain of the Ultraverse. You clearly didn't pass that test."

The blue creature forms into a fist again and it gets a tight grip on Ivan and it crushes him to a point where his yin-yang mech cracks and breaks. Tammy cuts a hole in the metal net and Ivan is sent falling into the cauldron. Safron and Dirk watch this and Safron said, "Something tells me I should feel sorry for him. I don't though. Ivan is nothing but a jerk. Why did I like him so much?"

Ivan falls into the cauldron and he is sent slowly descending down the blue bubbly liquid. Ivan sees Keith at the bottom of the cauldron attempting to swim to the top. The blue creature enters the cauldron and it grabs onto Ivan and Keith. Keith attempts to fight the blue monster and Ivan tries to grab onto the blue monster but the blue monster swims fast and Ivan cannot get a hold on it. Ivan is about to lose his conscience and he opens his mouth and he ingests a large mouthful of the drink. The drink flows through his yin-yangite physiology and it attacks at parts of his brain and it makes his brain form into a yin-yang. Ivan views the blue creature as a solid entity and he grabs onto it and he squeezes it and he chokes the creature. He squeezes its vital parts and he leaves it seemingly dead at the bottom of the cauldron.

Ivan grabs onto Keith and he swims against the strong currents going against them. Ivan jumps out of the cauldron and he jumps back through the hole he was cut out from and he grabs onto the edges and he puts down Keith. Ivan looks slightly demonic and angered. Ivan goes to Tammy Newborn. Tammy said, "It looks like you

defeated my pet and broke free from my trap. I am not impressed. An amateur monk with a mental disability could have broken out of that one.” Ivan walks close to Tammy and Tammy slashes his sword at Ivan. Ivan grabs onto the blade of Tammy’s katana and Ivan rips it out of Tammy’s grip and he bends it and breaks it. Ivan grabs onto Tammy and he punches through Tammy’s robotic body. Ivan rips out Tammy’s circuitry and he throws Tammy’s body into the cauldron.

Ivan walks to the controls and Safron, Dirk, and other monks try to stop him. Ivan pushes them off and he said, “Back off.” Ivan goes to the controls and he shuts off the entire factory and he presses the button that frees the cauldron from its restraints and the cauldron falls and it spills the vast amount of Praxis drink into the drains on the factory’s floor. Ivan grabs Keith and he runs out of the factory. Ivan runs to his house and he barricades his front door and he puts Keith down and he curls up in fear.

A week goes by and Ivan lies next to his door in fear. There is a knock at Ivan’s door and Ivan grabs his sword. Ivan said, “Keith? Is that you coming to bring me some things?” Ivan opens the door and Safron and Dirk are there. Ivan aims his sword at them and he said, “I didn’t do anything bad. It was all Tammy Newborn.” Safron said, “We know. We came to apologize for how we treated you. That drink did something to our brain chemistries that made us more aggressive, specifically towards you.” Safron hugs Ivan and she said, “I would never consciously go against you. You are the love of my life. I care about you more than anyone else. You mean everything to me.” Ivan stands still and he said, “Thanks.” Safron said, “Augi realized the test was dumb and he completely abolished it. You are back in the Monk Order again. I guess Augi was also drinking that same drink too.” Ivan said, “I guess that is good. The only thing is that Tammy Newborn is being backed up by that blue creature he hangs out with. That blue creature was used to make the Praxis drink. The drink is all gone but that blue creature likely remains. I drank some of the drink and it had a different impact on me. It was as if it put me on the same level as the creature.” Dirk said, “Well, everything has a different impact on you. You seem to be immune to everything evil and vile in the Ultraverse.” Safron said, “I will never drink any strange drinks that suddenly spawn out of nowhere again.”